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SPLINT INSTRUCTIONS

Splint Instructions for:

Date:

Name of splint:

Wear your splint:

PRECAUTIONS:

- 1. Keep your splint away from open flames; it will burn.
- 2. Keep your splint away from hot water, the heater, or prolonged sunlight. Do not leave splint in the car. Excessive heat will change the shape of your splint.
- 3. If your splint causes any of the following problems, remove it and call your therapist at (404) 255-1242 for an adjustment appointment.
 - a.) Sore areas red marks that don't go away (within 1 hour) A FTER removing splint
 - b.) Blisters
 - c.) Swelling (try loosening the straps)
 - d.) Numbness or pain

WHEN SPLINT IS REMOVED:

It is normal to experience a little joint stiffness and discomfort after splint removal. IF INSTRUCTED TO DO SO BY YOUR THERAPIST, gently exercise t he areas that have been restricted by the splint by slowly bending the joints up and down.

CLEANING YOUR SPLINT:

- 1. Clean your splint with soap and lukewarm water; scrub with a small brush. Dry with a towel. DO NOT PUT SPLINT IN THE DISHWASHER OR DRYER.
- 2. You may rub the inside with rubbing alcohol to decrease the odor.
- 3. Velcro straps and stockinette liner may be hand washed and air dried.
- 4. White cotton socks may be used to replace stockinette liners. Cut off the foot portion of the sock and cut a slit for the thumb to fit through.
- 5. Use panty liners on the inside of the splint to absorb sweat and odor.

ADDITIONAL INSTRUCTIONS:

- ANY REFURBISHING FOR SPLINT (i.e. NEW STRAPS, PADDING ETC.) WILL BE SUBJECT TO A \$5 FEE.
- THESE REPLACEMENT ITEMS MAY ALSO BE PURCHASED AT ANY CRAFT STORE.